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**BY FAX**

The Honorable Loretta A. Preska  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of New York  
United States Courthouse  
500 Pearl Street, Room 1320  
New York, New York 10007

Re: United States v. Ibraheim Elshafry, et al.,  
07 Cr. 788 (LAP)

Dear Judge Preska:

(1) The Government respectfully submits this letter to confirm that the next pretrial conference and oral argument in the above-referenced matter has been rescheduled for Wednesday, April 3, 2008 at 10:30 p.m.

(2) The Government also requests that the time between today and April 3, 2008 be excluded from calculations under the Speedy Trial Act in order to allow for the parties to file pretrial motions and to continue ongoing plea discussions.

*Such exclusion is in the interests of justice*

Respectfully submitted,

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SO ORDERED

*Loretta A. Preska*  
LORETTA A. PRESKA  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

*March 3, 2008*

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